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SUBJECT: STATE MESSAGE REPEATED

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SUBJECT: NOTAM 714 NOTIFICATION

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1. DEPT AND DOD HAVE CAREFULLY REVIEWED AIRCRAFT REPORTING
PROBLEMS POSED IN REFTELS. WE RECOGNIZE THAT ICAO RESPON-
SIBILITY FOR ALL AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL WITHIN THE ATHENS FIR/
HELLAS UIR RESTS WITH THE GREEKS. AT THE SAME TIME, WE DO

NOT DISPUTE THE LEGITIMACY OF THE TURKS' DESIRE TO BE AWARE

OF AIRCRAFT APPROACHING TURKISH AIRSPACE. EVEN THOUGH WE AGREE WITH SUSPICION EXPRESSED IN REF D THAT RECENT TURKISH REITERATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS IS PROBABLY POLITICALLY ORIENTED. IN ANY EVENT, WE WISH TO AVOID ANY IMPLICATION THAT WE ARE TAKING SIDES IN THE AEGEAN AIRSPACE CONTROVERSY. HOPEFULLY, THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT AIRCRAFT REROUTING WHICH WOULD CREATE ANOTHER OPERATIONAL BURDEN AND ALTER THE PRESENT PATTERN IN THE AEGEAN.

2. WE AGREE THAT REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE IN THE USDAO DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE REQUEST TO THE TURKS THE PHRASEOLOGY "AIRCRAFT WILL CONTACT IZMIR APPROACH CONTROL WHEN 50 MILES OUT" NEED NOT BE PUBLISHED IN THE USAF FOREIGN CLEARANCE GUIDE. HOWEVER, TO INSURE PILOTS AND OTHER OPERATIONAL PERSONNEL ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE REQUIREMENT, DOD WILL, SUBJECT TO YOUR FURTHER COMMENTS, PUBLISH THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS IN THE CLASSIFIED SUPPLEMENT TO THE FCG: QUOTE. AIRCRAFT APPROACHING THE ISTANBUL FIR/UIR ON RED-20 OR RED-32 WILL CONTACT IZMIR APPROACH CONTROL NO SOONER THAN 50 MILES NOR LATER THAN 45 MILES FROM THE IZMIR VOR. INCLUDE POSITION REPORT AND SPECIFICALLY REQUEST WEATHER O, TRAFFIC INFORMATION. CONTINUE TO MONITOR NORMAL ATHENS FIR/UIR FREQUENCIES. FOLLOW STANDARD ATHENS AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL PROCEDURES UNTIL EXIT FROM ATHENS FIR/HELLAS UIR. END QUOTE.

3. THE ABOVE PROCEDURE IS DESIGNED TO SATISFY THE TURKS
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WHILE RETAINING RATIONALE FOR THE GREEKS THAT THE US IS NOT COMPLYING WITH TURKISH NOTAM 714 BUT MERELY EXERCISING OPERATIONAL PRUDENCE BY ESTABLISHING ADVANCE RADIO CONTACT WITH THE NEXT CONTROLLING AGENCY. WE WOULD APPRECIATE NOTIFICATION OF ANY FOLLOW-ON COMMENTS BY EITHER TURKISH OR GREEK AUTHORITIES ON THIS SUBJECT, PARTICULARLY AFTER THE NEXT INBOUND FLIGHTS WHICH WE UNDERSTAND ARE SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, OCT 17. HABIB
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END OVERALL QUOTE.
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